



**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
POLLUTION REPORT**

Date: Wednesday, July 14, 2004

From: Partap Lall, OSC

Subject: Initial
Detroit River (US Steel) Oil Response
Quality 1 Drive, Ecorse, MI

POLREP No.:	1	Site #:	FPN E04514
Reporting Period:	5/20/2004 to 7/14/2004	D.O. #:	
Start Date:		Response Authority:	OPA
Mob Date:		Response Type:	Emergency
Completion Date:		NPL Status:	
CERCLIS ID #:		Incident Category:	
RCRIS ID #:		Contract #	
Federal Project #	E04514	Reimbursable Account #	

Site Description

On May 20, 2004 Coast Guard MSO Detroit reported a sheen citing on Detroit River in the vicinity of U.S. Steel company in Ecorse, Michigan and asked that EPA FOOSC look into it. Upon further investigation by the EPA OSC the source was determined to be the outfalls (number 14, 15 and 16) belonging to U.S. Steel company.

Current Activities

U.S. Steel admitted responsibility and immediately mobilized oil spill response contractors. Containment boom was installed and product was recovered by vacuuming it off and with the use of adsorbent booms. Oily sediment in the river basins has been determined to be the cause of oil discharge to the outfalls.

Planned Removal Actions

Containment boom was left in place and is being maintained by the contractor while U.S. Steel is working on river basin sediment removal plans

Next Steps

Continue to monitor the containment boom. Oversee the removal of sediment from the river basins.

Key Issues

None

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
Intramural Costs				
USEPA - Direct (Region, HQ)	\$5,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$3,200.00	64.00%
Total Site Costs	\$5,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$3,200.00	64.00%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

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